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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Deputy Director for Science and Technology

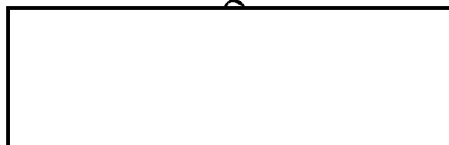
FROM : Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

SUBJECT : Encomium for the BBC Monitoring Service

1. Action Requested: That you forward to the Secretary of State a draft letter of appreciation on the 40th anniversary of the BBC Monitoring Service, for transmittal to the British Foreign Secretary.

2. Background: The BBC Monitoring Service will observe its 40th anniversary in August 1979. The BBC Monitoring Service and FBIS have had a close working partnership since 1942. Today they share broadcast monitoring worldwide and freely exchange the monitored information. The BBC contributes about 30 percent of the FBIS daily file, at a saving to the USG [redacted] annually. The BBC Monitoring Service depends for funds on a British Treasury grant-in-aid. The recommended high-level recognition of the BBC Monitoring Service by the U.S. Government may assist in maintaining the balance of the FBIS/BBC partnership.

3. Recommendation: That you sign the attached letter to the Secretary of State, requesting him to sign the proposed letter to Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, which is attached in draft.



Director  
Foreign Broadcast Information Service

Attachments:

1. Letter to Secretary of State
2. Proposed letter to Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington

APPROVED:

Director of Central Intelligence

DISAPPROVED:

Director of Central Intelligence

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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